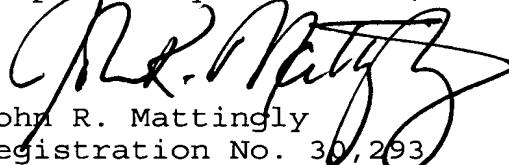


Claims 1-2 and 4-5 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. By canceling these claims, the rejection of the claims under 35 USC 103(a) has been rendered moot.

The claim that remains pending, after entry of the foregoing amendment, claim 6 has been indicated as being allowed. Accordingly, the application should now be in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration and re-examination are respectfully requested.

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